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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

DAVID LEWIS ET AL : ATTN: APPLICATION DIVISION
SERIAL NO: 09/831,888 :
FILED: MAY 23, 2001 :
FOR: PRESSURISED METERED DOSE
INHALERS (MDI)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as shown on the marked-up copy following this amendment to read as follows:

4. (Amended) ~~Pressurized metered dose inhalers according to claim 1, containing a low-volatility component selected from glycerol, polyethylene glycol and isopropyl myristate.~~

5. (Amended) ~~Pressurized metered dose inhalers according to claim 1, wherein the co-solvent is ethanol.~~